WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 17, 2016

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Wyoming experienced warmer than normal temperatures for the week, as all 34 reporting stations reported above average temperatures for the week with the high temperature of 81 degrees recorded at Torrington and a low of 13 degrees at Lake Yellowstone. Three stations (Jeffrey City, Buffalo, and Sheridan) reported no precipitation while Buford had the most moisture with 1.55 inches. One reporter in Northwest Wyoming indicated that even though they received some moisture with the past storm very little accumulated for most of the county. A reporter from Western Wyoming indicated that the rangeland is starting to green up and dry out. That reporter also indicated that ranchers are beginning to harrow the fields after pasturing livestock last winter. Two reporters from South Central Wyoming commented on how the recent snow over the past two weeks has added much needed water for irrigation and plant growth. One reporter from Southeastern Wyoming commented on how the recent storm brought much needed moisture but that range and pasture growth are behind due to cool temperatures. Irrigation water supply was rated 1 percent poor, 17 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 23 percent excellent. Stock water supplies across Wyoming were rated 2 percent very short, 17 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	• ,	,	•	•
Planted	79	71	74	61
Emerged	25	18	29	16
Oats				
Planted	30	24	29	25
Emerged	1	NA		6
Spring Wheat				
Planted	29	11	31	14
Emerged	5	NA	6	3
Sugarbeets				
Planted	20	12	20	11
Cows calved	62	54	66	68
Ewes lambed	47	37	55	54
Sheep shorn	44	32	67	57

NA – not available

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Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	4.2	6.0	4.6	4.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	2	3	5
Short	15	15	46	26
Adequate	65	65	49	65
Surplus	18	18	2	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	5	6	3	NA
Short	21	20	42	NA

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Surplus

NA – not available

Adequate

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Hay and Roughage Supplies			,	,
Very short				NA
Short	6	6	1	NA
Adequate	55	55	79	NA
Surplus	39	39	20	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor			1	6
Poor	11	8	11	15
Fair	29	32	39	32
Good	58	58	47	46
Excellent	2	2	2	1
Winter Wheat				
Very poor				
Poor	1			4
Fair	29	30	84	48
Good	61	62	15	47
Excellent	9	8	1	1
Cattle and Calves Death Loss				
Heavy	2	1	1	NA
Average	46	41	44	NA
Light	52	58	55	NA
Livestock				
Very poor				NA
Poor	1	1	1	NA
Fair	14	11	4	NA
Good	80	83	80	NA
Excellent	5	5	15	NA
Sheep and Lambs Death Loss				
Heavy	1			2
Average	34	33	41	56
Light	65	67	59	42

NA – not available

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Wyoming's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop Progress & Condition/2016/WY Weather 04172016.pdf